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OBTAINING IT

LETTER ASSERTING SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant is entitled to and hereby claims small entity status for the above-captioned patent application. Small entity fees are paid in connection with the concurrently filed documents.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application (Filing Date Granted), dated February 28, 2001, Applicant submits the following documents relating to the above-captioned patent application:

- (1) a Declaration and Power of Attorney Form which identifies the application by application number and filing date;
- (2) a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts;
- (3) a Claim for Priority;
- (4) a Letter Asserting Small Entity Status; and
- (5) a check in the amount of \$420 to cover the present filing fee (\$355) (small entity) and the surcharge fee (\$65) (small entity).

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If any additional fees are due in connection with the filing of this Response or with any of the accompanying Papers, such as additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 02-4300. If an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is necessary that is not accounted for in the papers filed herewith, such an extension is requested. The additional extension fee also should be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-4300. Any overpayment can be credited to Deposit Account No. 02-4300.

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.

 Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 840.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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